

Amendment to the Specification:

(1) Please amend the specification by inserting before the “Background of the Invention” on page 1, line 4, the following:

PRIORITY BENEFIT AND CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a division of co-pending prior U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/380,545, filed on September 3, 1999, entitled “CARBON FIBERS FORMED FROM SINGLE-WALL CARBON NANOTUBES,” which is the 35 U.S.C. § 371 national application of International Application Number PCT/US98/04513 filed on March 6, 1998, which designated the United States, claiming priority to: provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/067,325, filed on December 5, 1997; provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/064,531, filed on November 5, 1997; provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/063,675, filed on October 29, 1997; provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/055,037, filed on August 8, 1997; provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/047,854, filed on May 29, 1997; and provisional U.S. patent application Serial Number 60/040,152, filed on March 7, 1997. Each of the foregoing applications is commonly assigned to the assignee of the present invention and is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

This application discloses subject matter related to the subject matter of U.S. patent application Serial Number 10/000,746, filed on November 30, 2001 in the name of Daniel T. Colbert et al., entitled “MACROSCOPICALLY MANIPULABLE NANOSCALE DEVICES MADE FROM NANOTUBE ASSEMBLIES” (“the ‘746 Patent Application”), which application is commonly assigned to the assignee of the present invention.